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Other Fields—What Our People
Are Doing.

One week from tomorrow will be
Christmas day.

Barco! Who said Barco?

The Boston Ladies' Quartett will
be here Dec. 28th.

Barco! Do you say Barco?

Mayor Clayton Porter spent last
Sunday in Fort Myers.

Only 25c. for 6 P. G. cigars at R. M.
King's.—tf

Col. C. C. Morgan of Fort Ogden
was a business visitor here Monday.

Full line fresh candles.—McClelland
& Co.

Mr. M. A. Mixon of Lakeland spent
Sunday in this city with relatives.

Several good horses for sale cheap.
J. S. Goff.—8tf

Large numbers of oranges are be-
ing shipped from here daily by ex-
press.

See those elegant new style suits at
R. C. Blount's.

Born Thursday morning of last
week to Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Corbett, a
daughter.

Six Punta Gorda cigars 25c. at R.
M. King's.—tf

The young people of the city en-
joyed an informal dance in McAdow
hall Monday night.

Suits for small boys, nobby styles
at R. C. Blount's.—10

Col. J. H. Hancock came down
from Fort Ogden Monday to look
after some business matters here.

Big line of fresh, pure penny can
dies at J. S. Goff's grocery.—44

Dr. McSwain of Arcadia made a
professional visit to our city Mon-
day. And he was here a gain yester-
day.

Latest styles in fall and winter
clothing at R. C. Blount's.

Attorney Trabue of Punta Gorda
was transacting business at the
court house yesterday.—DeSoto
News.

For Christmas fire-crackers see J.
S. Goff.—49td.

Deaconess Harriett R. Parkhill of
Orlando, visited the ladies of the
Episcopal church in this city last
week.

Chocolates 25c to 60c a pound.—Mc-
Clelland & Co.

According to a table prepared by
Supt. Holloway the average attend-
ance of the schools in DeSoto coun-
ty is 2,166.

Is it chills or fever? Plank's Chill
Tonic is guaranteed to cure.—25-lyr.

Mrs. G. B. Purifoy, after a pleasant
visit of three weeks to her sister-in-
law, Mrs. C. H. Chadwick, returned
to her home in Tampa last week.

Buggies, wagons and harness for
sale at Goff's City Livery stable.—14tf

George Brown, the enterprising
colored citizen, is getting his steam
ways and marine railway at Cleve-
land in shape and will soon be ready
for business.

Big reduction in charges for bicy-
cle work at Strobhar's shop. Hous-
es to rent.—45tf.

Prof. Coker, who has been teach-
ing the Charlotte Harbor school,
closed the first two months last
week, and went up to his home at
Gardner on Friday evening, to
spend Christmas.

FOR RENT—Furnished cottage of
4-rooms.—Apply to Alpine Restau-
rant, Mrs. J. C. Johns.

Mr. R. W. Hite of St. Matthews, Ky.,
who spent last winter in this city,
arrived Friday night and will again
spend several months here enjoying
our superb climate. Mrs. Hite and
the children will be down after
Christmas.

City livery stable—safe and reli-
able as well as stylish saddle and
buggy horses.—J. S. Goff, propr.—6

Services in the Episcopal church
every Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Barco! Ask McClelland.

Mr. J. L. Davis of Olga, spent sev-
eral days in town this week

Get your fall and winter underwear
at R. C. Blount's.

Mrs. Martha Morgan and daugh-
ter, Violet returned Tuesday from a
pleasant visit to Jacksonville.

Nuts, raisins, etc for Christmas, at
J. S. Goff's.—td.

Subject for morning sermon in the
Baptist church, Temptation; even-
ing sermon, Christmas. Public in-
vited.

Old newspapers—1,000 for \$1.00, 500
for 60c., at THE HERALD office.

At acceptable Christmas present to
give one of your friends is a year's
subscription to THE HERALD, and it
costs only \$1.50.

Harness, wagons and buggies f.r
sale at J. S. Goff's livery stable.—8

The next of our course of Lyceum
entertainments will be on Dec. 28th
when the Boston Ladies' Quartett
will be here.

Nice line of boys' knee pants suits
just received at R. C. Blount's.—10

The High school will close for the
holidays tomorrow, two weeks hav-
ing been decided upon as the time
the pupils will be allowed for Christ-
mas and new year's festivities.

For the latest styles in fall and
winter clothing, go to R. C. Blount.

Mr. J. C. Vaughan of Salem, O.,
who was recently the guest of his
old friend, Mr. James Robbins, is now
sejourning in Orlando, whither he
went on Wednesday of last week.

Lest you forget, I say Crex again,
in matings and rugs.—H. C. Gold-
stein.

Every one will be given an op-
portunity to win a turkey for Christ-
mas dinner, George Battersby hav-
ing made arrangements for a shoot-
ing contest to be held every day
next week, the successful contest
ants to be awarded turkeys.

Big stock of the latest styles and
best wearing winter shoes at R. C.
Blount's.

Miss Nellie Whittaker will rep-
resent the Punta Gorda High School
in the declamation contest to be held
in Gainesville on Jan. 1st. in which
two prizes valued at \$30 and \$25 re-
spectively are to be awarded by the
Florida Press Association to the
successful contestants.

Just received, a carload of mat-
tresses. Prices ranging from \$2.00
to \$12.50.—H. C. Goldstein.—50tf.

The minutes of last council meet-
ing will appear next week. Chang-
ing of town officers increased work
for the council and the acting upon
annual reports had to be deferred
for a special meeting. The delay
thus occasioned prevented the pub-
lication of the minutes this week.

FOR RENT—Comfortable 7-room
cottage, furnished complete, front-
ing the bay in Solana.—Apply to M.
M. GASTON.—48 4t.*

A cooperative mercantile compa-
ny is being organized in this city
and will open up a stock of groceries
in the Gilchrist block within the
next few weeks. Mr. U. S. Whit-
taker will have the management of
the business, which will be con-
ducted upon a very conservative
plan providing for cash sales only.

FOR SALE—One medium sized
wind mill, one large refrigerator and
one large heating stove with pipe.
Inquire of Mrs. F. D. Robinson.—46tf.

Mr. Ike Riggs of Charlotte Har-
bor, has just finished installing an
engine in his trim "double-end"
boat and she will now hold her own
with most any craft on the bay
when it comes to speed. The way in
which the boat is constructed caused
one of Mr. Riggs' friends to re-
mark that you can't tell whether
she is going or coming.

FOR SALE in Solana—Six-room
cottage with two acres of land clear-
ed and fenced; some orange and
grapefruit; good barn and shed.
Splendid location, one block from
bay, good water. Will sell cheap,
cash or terms. Address, N. N.
Wakefield, 853 Banana St., Jack-
sonville, Fla.

Col. F. A. Whitney has moved his
law offices, and insurance business
from the Gilchrist Block to the
Bank Building, where he is occu-
pying the rooms formerly occupied
by Messrs. Dewey and Farrington.
Having purchased the vault from
those gentlemen, he now has large
and safe facilities for keeping valu-
able papers, policies, notes, etc.

SCALPING.

Indian Tradition That Tells the Origin
of the Custom.

According to the Indian tradition,
scalping arose in this wise:

Hundreds, perhaps thousands, of
years ago, when all the Indians in the
world were of one tribe and under one
chief, there arose a dispute in the tribe
as to who should succeed the old chief,
who had just died without issue. There
were two principal aspirants to the
honor, each having a considerable fol-
lowing. The dispute finally ended
with strife and war, and for the first
time in the history was "brothers"
blood shed by brothers.

The chief of one of the factions had
a beautiful daughter, and one of the
bravest warriors was a suitor for her
hand. Her father consented to the
match on one condition—that the
young brave should journey to the
camp of the enemy, many miles away
through the deep snow, kill the chief,
his rival, and return with some unmis-
takable token of his death. In spite
of the snow and the distance, the
young man immediately set out on his
journey and, after lying in ambush
for several days, finally entered the
camp, boldly attacked the chief in his
tent, slew him and cut off his head.

Next morning the murder was dis-
covered, and the tribe set off in hot
pursuit. Little by little they gained
upon the fleeing warrior, who in his
anxiety to elude his pursuers cast
away all his impediments, to his very
clothing, retaining only his stone knife
and the trophy which was to win him
his bride.

His pursuers gained rapidly until
finally so near did they come he could
hear them on his trail. His grievous
burden grew heavier and heavier, and
as a last resort he whipped out his
knife, stripped the scalp from the head
of the dead man and, thus lightened
of his load, reached his own camp in
safety, presented to his chief the token
of his prowess and was wed, amid
great rejoicing, to the damsel of his
choice.

From thenceforth he was permitted
to wear an eagle's feather in his cap,
and to this day the eagle's feather re-
mains the sign of the successful war-
rior, the number he displays depending
upon the number of scalps he has tak-
en.—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Wonderful Aphids.

The aphid is in one way the most
startling of all forms of insect life,
for, although the females can and do
lay eggs, its usual method of increase
is by a sort of budding process, the
young growing on the bodies of the
parent exactly as brussels sprouts
grow out of the stalks of the plant.
The old produce young at the rate of
twenty-five a day, and as the young
are at once mature each can produce
its twenty-five on the following day.
It positively frightens one to work
this multiplication out to a conclu-
sion, for it means this: Supposing that
the aphid could increase and multiply
without interference, the twenty-fifth
generation would be a number too long
to quote here. Put down a 1 and fol-
low it with 28 naughts and you will
be within a few millions of it.

The Right Foot Foremost.

Putting the right foot foremost was
an old Roman ordination originally
regulating the entry of persons into a
house or other building and based upon
the supposition that the left was un-
lucky. A boy was kept at the door to
see that no one entered the house "left
foot first." The phrase quoted is thus
seen to be very antique.

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tice.—tf.

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